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**FROM THE TOP**

By all measures, 1997 was an extraordinarily successful year for all of us here in this theater. We have had many contingencies, deployed to many strange and difficult places, and brought our shipmates home safely after having successfully completing their missions. I credit each of you for this success. I am proud and honored to have shared the experience and adventure with you. I look forward to sharing the challenges and successes in the year to come. I wish you and your families a healthy and prosperous New Year.

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Senior Naval Officer (Germany)

**FROM THE OIC:**

**FOR JANUARY:**

1JAN: NEW YEARS DAY (OBSERVED HOLIDAY), 12JAN: NURSE CORPS DUTY UNDER INSTRUCTION BOARD CONVENES, ACTIVE O-6 LINE BOARD CONVENES, RESERVE O-6 LINE BOARD CONVENES, 15JAN: **PERIODIC EVALUATIONS DUE FOR E-1/2/3**, 19JAN: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY (OBSERVED HOLIDAY), 20JAN: CWO CONTINUATION BOARD CONVENES, 26JAN: SURFACE COMMANDER COMMAND SCREEN BOARD CONVENES, TAR TRANSFER/ REDESIGNATION AUTOMATIC SCREEN BOARD CONVENES, 31JAN: **PERIODIC FITREPS DUE FOR O-3'S (ACTIVE) AND MID-TERM COUNSELING DUE FOR O6**. BOARDS EXPECTED TO CONVENE: ACTIVE O8 AEOD, ACTIVE E8/E9, ENLISTED CWO/LDO IN-SERVICE, AND CWO/LDO IN-SERVICE.

MARY BLANKENSHIP, LT, USN  
Officer in Charge, PSD Vaihingen

**CMC'S CORNER:** Before you drink and drive, please keep in mind that if you get caught,

- You **MUST** be screened for abuse problems.
- You **MUST** attend some sort of awareness training (i.e., level one or level two).
- You **WILL** lose your on-base driving privileges for one year.
- You **WILL** go to Captain's Mast and will more than likely lose rank and forfeit pay.
- You **WILL** also be liable for any applicable German fines.

**DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE: CALL A CAB AT 0711-734-179 OR THE MP DESK AT 0711-680-5262**

CLYDE R. DIXON, CTOCM, USN  
EUCOM Command Master Chief

**WORLDWIDE WEB ADDRESSES:** Some commonly accessed WWW Navy addresses are:

BUPERS homepage:

<http://www.navy.mil/homepage/bupers/>

Navy Homepage:

<http://www.navy.mil/>

DFAS Lane:

<http://www.dfas.mil/>

DoD Per Diem Rates:

<http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/pdrates.html>

TRICARE on line:

[www.tso.osd.mil](http://www.tso.osd.mil)

### **NAVY DISBURSING NEWS:**

- Effective 1 JAN 98, the services will begin phasing in a new housing allowance called BAH (Basic Allowance for Housing). BAH will be one monthly payment, replacing separately paid Variable Housing Allowance (VHA) and Basic Allowance for Quarters (BAQ). Members affected by this change will not see dramatic increases in their allowances because the changes will be phased in over a six year period, based on budget considerations and the desire to keep reductions gradual. BAH entitlement will be based on civilian rental costs by pay grade, dependency status and location.
- Members stationed on board ships or holding chow passes are now entitled to a partial BAS of \$9.30 per month to reflect in future LESs.
- A 2.8% pay increase has been approved and began reflecting in the December LES as part of the forecast for 15 and 30 JAN paydays.

**REENLISTMENT REMINDER:** All first-term personnel wishing to reenlist must submit ENCORE messages. Sailors in CREO 1 and CREO 2 ratings must submit the message for notification purposes only, while Sailors in CREO 3 ratings must receive BUPERS approval prior to reenlistment.

**PROSPECTIVE GAINS:** For the PSD to provide the member with the best possible service it is vital that the command contact PSD immediately upon sponsor assignment. Commands are requested to contact PSD no later than the 1ST of each month to ensure sponsor updates will be placed in the Scuttlebutt. Thank you from the Receipts desk.

<b><u>RATE</u></b>	<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>EDA</u></b>	<b><u>UIC</u></b>	<b><u>DUTY STATION</u></b>	<b><u>SPONSOR</u></b>
LCDR	Thomas Adams	Jan 98	63845	USCINCEUR	MAJ Stauffer
CTM3	Felicia Dixon	18 Jan 98	42008	NCEUR	CTOC Mitchell
LCDR	Novis Stephens	19 Jan 98	63845	USCINCEUR	(Not yet Assigned)
OS2	Gillespie	26 Jan 98	63845	USCINCEUR	(Not yet Assigned)
LCDR	Tony Kwon	30 Jan 98	47371	EUCOM JAC	LCDR Rice
CTA1	Helen Collins	31 Jan 98	63845	USCINCEUR	(Not yet Assigned)
SN	Jeffery Crosby	20 Feb 98	41723	Bad Aibling	(Not yet Assigned)
CDR	Maureen Hogan	Feb 98	46770	Landstuhl	CDR Ryan
CAPT	Whitmann	Feb 98	32089	Joint Space Com	(Not yet Assigned)
CAPT	Smith	Feb 98	32089	Joint Space Com	(Not yet Assigned)
CDR	Ronald Hecox	Mar 98	63845	USCINCEUR	ADSW
LT	Robert Maguire	Mar 98	42008	NCEUR	CTOC Mitchell
LT	Thomas Wypyski	Apr 98	53991	SPECWARUNIT 2	YN1 Hyde
LTJG	Hellen Dudley	Apr 98	63845	USCINCEUR	CDR Hackett
ENS	Belsky	Apr 98	41723	Bad Aibling	(Not yet Assigned)
LCDR	C. Magrino	May 98	63845	USCINCEUR	CDR Jone
IS2	Kevin Cochran	03 May 98	53991	SPECWARUNIT 2	(Not yet Assigned)
IS1	Ronnie Boseman	04 May 98	64766	SOCEUR	YN1 Martinez
EN2	Andrei Pilch	08 May 98	53991	SPECWARUNIT 2	(Not yet Assigned)
LCDR	Michat Reilly	Jun 98	64766	SOCEUR	(Not yet Assigned)
CTA2	Angie Warr	Jun 98	48329	DCS Rheinmain	CTAC Niedtiedt
CAPT	Craig Sackett	03 Jun 98	63845	USCINCEUR	NA/TAD
CTM2	Mitchell Peterson	30 Jun 98	41723	Bad Aibling	(Not yet Assigned)
CTA2	Richard Mead	30 Jun 98	48329	DCS Ramstein	CTA1 Benton
LCDR	Stephen, Grace	Jul 98	63845	USCINCEUR	(Not yet Assigned)
CDR	David, Brouton	Jul 98	63845	USCINCEUR	(Not yet Assigned)
CTR1	Bukovecky	20 Jul 98	41723	Bad Aibling	(Not yet Assigned)
CDR	Patrick Regis	27 Jul 98	63845	USCINCEUR	NA/TDY
CTM2	Stephanie Bringas	30 Jul 98	41723	Bad Aibling	(Not yet Assigned)
LT	Smith	Aug 98	53991	SPECWARUNIT 2	LT McFarlan
LCDR	Michael Scott	Nov 98	46660	EUCOM JAC	(Not yet Assigned)
LT	Mark, Waddell	Mar 99	64766	SOCEUR	YN1 Martinez

### ***Did you know that...***

**...The Vice Admiral E. P. Travers Scholarship and Loan Program** provides for the undergraduate education of **spouses** of active duty servicemembers as well as **dependent children** of both active duty and retired personnel? This program can provide **grants** for up to \$2,000 per academic year or **interest-free loans** for up to \$3,000. To be eligible, the applicant must be a full-time student in a post-secondary institution eligible for "Title IV" programs and have a minimum GPA of 2.0. Applications for the grant are due by 1 March 1998 while applications for a loan will be accepted through 1 October 1998. Stop by for a brochure and application.

Pass the word onto retirees . . .

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**CERTIFICATE INFORMATION:** As of 1OCT97, customer commands Navy-wide are now responsible for ordering all certificates. If this PSD holds certificates that you might require, we are more than happy to provide them until our stock is depleted. In particular, we now hold many certificates of appointment and certificates for the completion of Petty Officer Indoctrination. What follows are the stock numbers for various certificates for your convenience: E4 Advancement Certificate: 0106-LF-071-0700; E5/E6 Advancement Certificate: 0106-LF-071-0800; Appreciation (Spouse for reenlistment): 0106-LF-081-5902; Fleet Reserve Certificate: 0106-LF-018-3016; Good Conduct: 0106-LF-016-5006, Discharge (Honorable): 0102-LF-002-4203, Reenlistment: 0500-LP-272-1202.

**GOOD CONDUCT MEDALS:** QM2 Destefano, EO1 Hansen, and HMC Smith earned Good Conduct Medals. Congrats!

**OVERSEAS SERVICE RIBBONS:** The following personnel have earned their Overseas Service Ribbons:

CTA1 Brown	CDR Asmus	CTA3 Crane
CTM2 Williams	CTRSA Dalton	CDR Riddle
DP2 McCray	LCDR Symonds	LT Giggie
LCDR Cooper	CDR Orban	CTR1 Butler
CTM1 Moulton	LT Moll	LT O'Neal
CDR Barry	CDR Bennett	CTM2 Mervin
DK2 James	LCDR Malone	YNC Helm
CDR McClain		

**SEA SERVICE RIBBONS:** There were no Sea Service Ribbons earned since last month's publication.

**UPCOMING PROMOTIONS TO E-2 AND E-3:** YNSA DelValle is scheduled to be promoted to YNSN on February 15, SKSA Matthews to SKSN on February 15, and DKSA Diaz to DKSN on March 15.

**FROM THE TRANSFER DESK:** Due to reorganization of the transportation system for "NAVY" in Europe, the NAVPTO office in London will no longer process our flight reservations. The NAVPTO in Naples, Italy will now be our point of contact and our ticket issuing agent. What does this mean for our Germany customers? We may experience some "bumps" in the beginning. When you make your decision to fly on a particular day, please do not change that decision. Changes will require justification from your Command and could ultimately effect your scheduled departure day. Your entitlement on PCS transfer is from your old duty station to your new duty station. The Navy cannot fly you home on leave. Please be prepared to accept your tickets from NAVPTO and exchange them at the airport for what you want. An alternative is to request tickets to the point of embarkation (normally JFK, Dulles, or Atlanta) and purchase follow-on tickets yourself. In such cases, you will be reimbursed up to what the government would have spent. Finally, please try to get me your travel plans as soon as possible.

The following personnel are scheduled to transfer as indicated. If you are in receipt of orders and your name does not appear on this list, please contact PN2 Zimmer as soon as possible.

CDR POLLITT	29 JAN 98	CDR COOPER	MAY 98
CTM1 MOULTON	16 JAN 98	RMCS FREEMAN	JUN 98
CTRCS CALLAHAN	FEB 98	IS1 WISE	JUN 98
RM1 BRITT	1 FEB 98	YNC DAVIS	JUN 98
CDR LIGHTHIZER	1 FEB 98	CTR2 MAHAFFY	JUN 98
LCDR MOORE	FEB 98	CAPT POPP	JUN 98
CTAC MITCHELL	2 FEB 98	RM1 MOORE	JUN 98
YNC SESSOMS	3 MAR 98	RMC JONES	JUN 98
CTM1 MORRELL	MAR 98	LT GIGGIE	JUN 98
CTA2 MILLER	MAR 98	CDR LEWIS	JUL 98
PNSN HERZBERG	14 MAR 98	CDR LAMBERT	JUL 98
CDR JONES	MAR 98	CTMC KIRKWOOD	AUG 98
CDR HANSON	APR 98	LT EVERSON	FEB 99
DP1 LOOS	APR 98		
IS1 MYERS	MAY 98		
RMC PINC	MAY 98		
CTR1 GENOVESE	MAY 98		

**WANT TO KEEP YOUR PAY COMING IN?** The following personnel have an upcoming EAOS. An asterisk by your name indicates that you have an extension on file. If you do not have an asterisk, contact PSD with your reenlistment / extension / separation intentions. Also contact your disbursing office to continue your DDS. It is not automatically continued by notifying your personnel office.

**41723**

BODMAN, JERRY MATTHEW 980325  
 \*BODMAN, MELISSA DAWN 971219  
 CALLAHAN, CHRISTOPHER 980401  
 PENNING, WILLIAM C 980430  
 WATSON, EDWARD 980307

**41822**

BRANT, DAN SCOTT 980126

**43760**

DAMICO, JOANN M 980306  
 RAINGE, DAVID LEE 980425

**48329**

MOORE, LEDESSIA D 980228

**49292**

DELCO, EDWARD S 980130

**53991**

JONES, RICHARD C 980330

**63845**

BAILEY, ROBINETTE D 980110  
 BROWN, ANN LORRAINE 980228  
 CHISHOLM, CATHERINE D 971216  
 DIRKS, CHARLES J 980222  
 VIGO, RICHARD 980402

**64274**

SESSOMS, THERESA L 980322

**65465**

\*MOORE, HARVEY L 980226

**68267**

PETTIT, GERALDINE 980402  
 TURNER, JAMES ANDREW 980402

**JANUARY 1998 CHIEF PETTY OFFICER NAVY WIDE ADVANCEMENT EXAM:** The following individuals are both Time in Rate eligible and have met all advancement requirements to take the January 1998 Chief Petty Officer Examination. The test will be given in Stuttgart on January 15. Examinees should muster at 0730 at the Patch Community Club with ID Cards and non-programmable calculators, if required. Please notify the PSD if rate-specific materials are required. If you name does not appear on this list, please contact PN1(SW/AW) Kelly ASAP!

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>
Aguirre, P.	CTI1(BA)	Harrison	HM1	Moore, D.	HM1
Asper, C.	CM1	Hawk, J.	DP1	Moore, H.	RM1
Britt, L.	RM1	Hyde, John	YN1	Morrell, D.	CTM1(BA)
Broughton, K.	RM1	Izzo	EN1	Nordike, B.	OS1
Butler, S.	CTR1(BA)	Jansen, K.	BM1	Oneal, J.	DP1
Chong, R.	MS1	Kelly, J.	PN1	Petteway	AO1
Cogburn, M.	EN1	Lacroix, S.	IS1	Schultz	EM1
Dillon, J.	DP1	Lindsay, C.	CTT1(BA)	Schultz, K.	DP1
Frye, S.	MM1	Loos, K.	DP1	Smith	EM1
Genovese	CTR1(BA)	Macfpail, C.	DP1	Steele, G	RM1
Goodson, K.	CTR1(BA)	Martinez, O.	YN1	Valdez, G.	OS1
Gore, A.	RM1	Myers, S.	IS1	Wilder, C.	OS1
Hanson, J.	EO1	Millinoff, B	BM1	Wise, K.	IS1
Harris, T.	TM1	Moleski	EO1		

**FEBRUARY 1998 RESERVE E-4 THROUGH E-7 NAVY-WIDE ADVANCEMENT EXAM:** The following individuals are both Time in Rate eligible and have met all advancement requirements to take the February 1998 E-4 through E-7 Advancement Examination. The test will be given in Stuttgart on February 24. Examinees should muster at 0730 in Fellowship Hall, Building 2307 (across from the ACS in the same building as the Navy PSD) with ID Cards and non-programmable calculators, if required. Please notify the PSD if rate-specific materials are required. If you feel there is a discrepancy with this list, please contact PN1(SW/AW) Kelly ASAP!

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>
Alfieri	PN2	Deleo	SK1	McKenzie	SK2
Barr	SK2	Delfs	YN2	Petit	SK1
Blevins, N.	YN1	Feltner	MM3	Rainge	SK2
Brown	CTA1	Gudmundson	PH3	Royal	DP1
Castillanes	SN	Hendrix, P.	YN1	Taft	YN1
Collins	SK2	Hubbard, J.	YN1	Turner	SK1
Damico	YN1	Martinez	YN1		

**NAVY MESSAGE TRAFFIC:** Since last month's edition, the following messages were released:

NAVADMIN	279/97	022128Z DEC 97	NAVY AND MARINE CORPS PARENTHOOD VIDEO
NAVADMIN	280/97	041057Z DEC 97	FY99 NAVY WIDE SELECTION BOARD FOR ADVANCEMENT TO CPO CYCLE 158 (ACTIVE DUTY) AND CYCLE 062 (SELECTED RESERVISTS)
NAVADMIN	281/97	041403Z DEC 97	FROCKING AUTHORIZATIONS FOR FY98 ACTIVE DUTY CAPTAIN, COMMANDER, LIEUTENANT COMMANDER AND LIEUTENANT SELECTIONS
NAVADMIN	282/97	051924Z DEC 97	PHYSICAL READINESS PROGRAM
NAVADMIN	283/97	051926Z DEC 97	FY98 AVIATION CONTINUATION PAY
NAVADMIN	284/97	081344Z DEC 97	DEFENSE JOINT MILITARY PAY SYSTEM TRANSITION EFFECT ON ENLISTED REENLISTMENTS AND EXTENSIONS
NAVADMIN	285/97	092209Z DEC 97	PROPORTIONAL MEAL RATE PER DIEM AND UNIT TRAVEL
NAVADMIN	286/97	121455Z DEC 97	C4/IO NAVY TRAINING INITIATIVES
NAVADMIN	287/97	122003Z DEC 97	NAVY ATTENDANCE AT ANNUAL SURFACE NAVY ASSOCIATION
NAVADMIN	288/97	122302Z DEC 97	ASSIGNMENT OF ET-14NV NEC
NAVADMIN	289/97	122303Z DEC 97	PERMANENT MILITARY PROFESSOR PROGRAM
NAVADMIN	290/97	122304Z DEC 97	SUICIDE PREVENTION
NAVADMIN	291/97	122305Z DEC 97	FEB 98 ACQUISITION PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY SELECTION
NAVADMIN	292/97	130010Z DEC 97	ELECTRONIC TAX FILING POLICY AND PROGRAM GUIDANCE
NAVADMIN	293/97	162147Z DEC 97	LINGUIST OPPORTUNITIES
NAVADMIN	294/97	162148Z DEC 97	FY99 TEMPORARY EARLY RETIREMENT AUTHORITY PROGRAM
NAVADMIN	295/97	162149Z DEC 97	CONVERSION TO THE ILLUSTRATOR-DRAFTSMAN RATING
NAVADMIN	296/97	182120Z DEC 97	US NAVY FAMILY CARE POLICY
NAVADMIN	297/97	182122Z DEC 97	1997 GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION SELECTION RESULTS
NAVADMIN	298/97	191940Z DEC 97	NAVY TEST PILOT SELECTION BOARD RESULTS
NAVADMIN	299/97	192216Z DEC 97	CHRISTMAS LEAVE POLICY (25-28 DEC)
NAVADMIN	300/97	192217Z DEC 97	DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE
NAVADMIN	301/97	221311Z DEC 97	ENLISTED COMMISSIONING PROGRAM SELECTIONS FOR FY98
NAVADMIN	302/97	221312Z DEC 97	BROADENED OPPORTUNITY FOR OFFICER SELECTIONS FOR FY98
NAVADMIN	303/97	221923Z DEC 97	ISLAMIC OBSERVANCE OF RAMADAN AND EID-UL-FITR
NAVADMIN	304/97	222109Z DEC 97	TOTAL QUALITY LEADERSHIP
NAVADMIN	N/A	231136Z DEC 97	ENLISTED EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM (EEAP)
NAVADMIN	305/97	231414Z DEC 97	NEW NAVY AUGMENTATION (TRANSFER TO REGULAR NAVY) POLICY
NAVADMIN	306/97	231415Z DEC 97	ACTIVE DUTY PROMOTIONS TO THE PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY GRADE OF LIEUTENANT, LINE AND STAFF CORPS
NAVADMIN	307/97	231416Z DEC 97	ACTIVE DUTY PROMOTIONS TO THE PERMANENT GRADES OF CAPTAIN, COMMANDER, AND LIEUTENANT COMMANDER, LINE AND STAFF CORPS
NAVADMIN	308/97	241645Z DEC 97	ENLISTED EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT PROGRAM (EEAP)
NAVADMIN	309/97	241750Z DEC 97	MAR98 (CYCLE 159) AND FEB98 (CYCLE 062) NAVY WIDE EXAM FOR ADVANCEMENT IN RATE OF ACTIVE DUTY MEMBERS AND RESERVE PERSONNEL TO PETTY OFFICER THIRD CLASS THROUGH PETTY OFFICER FIRST CLASS
NAVADMIN	310/97	241751Z DEC 97	<u>SELECTION FOR THE FY98 MEDICAL ENLISTED COMMISSIONING PROGRAM (MECP)</u>
ALNAV	088/97	211849Z NOV 97	THANKSGIVING DAY MESSAGE
ALNAV	089/97	041321Z DEC 97	FY98 US MARINE CORPS CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER SELECTIONS
ALNAV	090/97	081818Z DEC 97	26 DECEMBER LIBERTY/LEAVE POLICY MESSAGE
ALNAV	091/97	102121Z DEC 97	NOTICE OF CONVENING FY99 PROMOTION SELECTION BOARDS AND REMAINING FY98 LIEUTENANT CHAPLAIN AND JAG BOARDS
ALNAV	092/97	UNSURE	
ALNAV	093/97	122032Z DEC 97	1997 HOLIDAY MESSAGE
ALNAV	094/97	182150Z DEC 97	<u>ENLISTED APPLICATIONS TO US NAVAL ACADEMY</u>
NAVOP	014/97	172321Z DEC 97	HOLIDAY GREETINGS
NAVOP	015/97	192215Z DEC 97	<u>STREAMLINING SHORE INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT</u>
NAVNEWS	52/97	032300Z DEC 97	NAVY NEWS SERVICE
NAVNEWS	53/97	102300Z DEC 97	NAVY NEWS SERVICE
NAVNEWS	54/97	172300Z DEC 97	NAVY NEWS SERVICE
NAVNEWS	55/97	232319Z DEC 97	NAVY NEWS SERVICE

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